

Draft, proposal:

Contractor of the Year Award

Presented by the **Project Business Foundation**

Purpose

To raise the visibility of Project Business Management (PBM) as a discipline and reinforce the Project Business Foundation as its global authority by recognizing excellence in cross-corporate, contract-based project delivery.

Why This Matters

PBM as a discipline: Demonstrates that contract-based project work has its own standards and benchmarks of excellence.

For the Project Business Foundation: Establishes PBF as the neutral, independent body that sets and recognizes those benchmarks.

For Contractors: Provides prestigious recognition for professionalism, collaboration, and delivery excellence.

For Buyers: Offers a signal of trust and reliability when selecting contractors.

Award Concept

Annual “Contractor of the Year” Award, segmented by industry:

- Construction & Infrastructure
- IT, Software & Digital
- Engineering & Manufacturing
- Consulting & Education

Special Prize: For an exceptional achievement that goes beyond industry categories — e.g., a breakthrough collaboration, ethical leadership, a software solution that advances Project Business, or an innovative contracting model that sets a new standard.

Evaluation Criteria

Transparent, professional standards ensure credibility:

- On-time / on-budget delivery vs. industry norms
- Collaboration across customer–contractor–subcontractor networks

- Risk & contract management maturity
- Ethical standards & fair contracting
- Agility – ability to adapt quickly to change while maintaining delivery performance
- Innovation and contribution to industry knowledge

Process

Nominations: Contractors or their customers submit entries.

Jury evaluation: Neutral panel of PBF experts and external professionals.

Recognition: Winners announced in an online ceremony, featured in press releases, LinkedIn campaigns, and the annual PBF “State of Project Business Contractors” report.

Project Manager (Peter Balogh)

- Develop detailed concept & roadmap
- Assemble jury and define evaluation process
- Manage nominations and communications
- Oversee the award ceremony and report publication
- Support: PBF branding, communications, and access to its global community.

Roadmap (Rough First Timeline)

- Concept development & approval: 2 weeks
- Call for nominations: 6 weeks
- Evaluation by jury: 2 weeks
- Award ceremony & report publication: 4 weeks

Total duration: 14 weeks (just over 3 months)

Desired and Expected Impact

- Greater awareness of PBM worldwide
- Higher visibility of the PBF as the voice of Project Business Management
- Prestigious recognition tool for contractors
- Market guidance for buyers seeking trustworthy partners